GRACEFUL DRAPERY.

THE DECORATIVE FURNISHING OF DOORS AND WINDOWS.

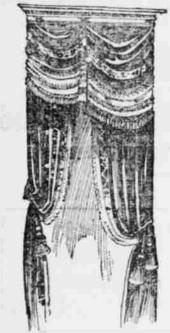
A Portiore That Adds Height and Dignity to the Room-An Effective Window Drapery Possible of Inexpensive Adoption. Fabrics For Interior Decoration.

Of the making of pretty draperies there is no end. The tasteful furnishing of doors and windows as an essential part of decorative house furnishing has never before reached such a pitch of perfection as at the present time. It is the possibility of good taste in almost the meanest home that marks the great advance in domestic art during the pres-



A QUAINT POSTUBRE, ent generation. Nowadays patterns equally charming with the old time beautiful but expensive hanging may be bought at a modest price, while the same rich colorings and patterns have been reproduced in the cheapest materials for the conveniences of the humbler classes. With these pleasing fabrics. women of taste daringly drape their doors, windows and bed canoples after models in sumptuous upholstery, making such modifications as the case in hand demands. For these ambitious housewives are here reproduced from The Decorator and Furnisher two unique

The first is a quaint portiera. It is unusually tall, and in this respect it mided dignity to the room for which it was designed. It was, however, so contrived that the door was made to appear higher by means of the portiere being carried some distance up above the spring. This harmless deceit might well be practiced over low windows where there is an abundance of uninteresting dead light above. In fact, it frequently appears that upholsterers hang their valances too low, and thus exclude



A SIMPLE BUT EFFECTIVE DESIGN. much light and air from the apartment. The second model is simple, but effecte ive, and is possible of inexpensive adop-

Latest fabrics for interior decorations are exford rep, silk sheeting, silk bolting, gobelin tapestry, hollywood dra-pery, Mexican art cloths, mailcloth, linen satine and art linen. Mailcloth or figured terry and silk sheeting hold the lead. Gobelin cloth sells for \$1 and up-ward per yard and is 54 inches wide. It comes in soft shades and drapes well. What is known as art serge makes effective draperies. Denim is the cheapest material for portieres.

Advice to Piano Performers, On beginning a new piece and particularly a study the player is recommended: 1. To play the piece slowly and with great care and pay strictest attention not to omit a single note or accidental. 2. Whenever the fingering is marked, not to deviate from it. 3. To give each note in the division of a measure its proper value and make one hand correspond strictly with the other. 4. To practice separately again and again, and always with a distinct touch, such passages, measures and even single notes as present any difficulties of execution. 5. To play the piece over several times for the express purpose of fully understanding and executing all the marks which relate to character, expression and style.

Items For Plano Popils.

Let the fingers and thumb be placed over the keys, always ready to strike, bending them more or less, in proportion to their length, and accommodating them to the exigencies of the black and white keys.

Keep the keys down the full length of every note, for when the contrary is required it is indicated by a particular sign. All unnecessary motion must be

The extremities of the fingers, but not the nails, must strike the keys. Their motion should be so smooth as not to be noticed.

Unbecoming habits should be carefully avoided, as holding the face too close to the book, biting the lips, nodding the head to mark the time, opening or distorting the mouth, etc.

The player must possess such control over his fingers as enables him by the weight and presure of their extremities to produce every shade and gradation of tone from the most delicate to the most

Some persons play stickily, as if they had glue between their fingers. Their touch may be called too long, for they

let the notes last beyond their time. Others play too shortly, as if the keys were redhot. That is also bad. The medium is better. All sorts of touch are good when in the right place.

She Didn't Like Handbags.

A pretty girl muffled in a long traveling cloak sat on the deck of a Hudson river

steamer, where an impatient brother had deposited her, her satchel, shawl strap and

parasol while he looked up the rest of the party. Another girl who had just come aboard with her father and a detachment

of younger brothers stopped to speak with

a trim, close fitting traveling gown. She

carried a neat little jacket over her arm.

The muffled girl inspected her new com-

ings asked, "Where are your things?"

nanion rather curiously, and after greet

"If you mean luggage it's below," said

The first girl sat up among her belong-

"Oh, a chatclaine carries some of the

necessities of life," said number two, dis-

entangling her bonbonniere. "Do you re-

ally want to know how I do it? Just look

carried a little silver comb, a diminutive

"My dressmaker never puts in pockets," said their owner, "but she can't help my

having one in this coat." (It was a slashed,

double breasted affair, with revers turned

my watch. It is all a matter of taste, but

I don't care for handbags."-New York

Her First Dinner.

Young Husband-Say, darling, what a

Young Wife (diffidently)-I really cannot

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ings and said, "Why, how can you travel all night without one?"

The second girl wore a sailor hat and

CARE OF FURNITURE.

How to Clean Wool Upholsteries and Protect From the Injurious Moth. One of the most important factors in the future comfort of the household is that as little as possible of wool material should be used in upholstery. There are always raw silk tapestries or petit points for ordinary use, while silk goods points for ordinary use, while silk goods are not so expensive but that they are I haven't any." within reach of most persons for best. Upholsteries composed largely of wool are always a source of anxiety. Do what one will, there is no certainty that some moth may not select it for a home, and then, even though the room may be in constant use, some fine day my lady in here." She opened her oblong pocketmay discover, to her dismay, that her beautiful furniture is all cut to pieces change compartment held hairpins, a

cilla advises as follows: Invest in a few gallons of naphtha and give each wool upholstered article a good shower bath. For this purpose a small watering pot with the finest sprinkler is necessary. Place the article back from the collar.) "In here," touch out of doors in a locality where there is ing the turned over corner, "I have a hand a strong current of air and shower it glass, a tooth brush, a handkerchief and thoroughly with the naphtha. One reason why people fail in cleaning furniture is that they are too economical in the use of naphtha. It must be literally poured on t effective. Standing in the breeze, it will evaporate very quickly and will destroy every vestige of moths. If the articles are to be left in the house, they may be wrapped in cot-ton cloths—old sheets or similar cloths Zeitung. are suitable-and these may be very tightly pinned around them. This keeps a certain amount of the odor in the furniture for a long time and renders it

doubly safe. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that no light of any kind must be taken in the rooms while the naphtha cleaned articles recently finished are there. It is therefore well to store the furniture in some portion of the house which is not likely to be used. The inflammable nature of naphtha vapor makes it exceedingly dangerons when brought near

Cushions, carpets and wool draperies may safely be cleaned in this way, and if immediately wrapped and packed for the summer will almost infallibly come out right at the end of the season. When again required for use, all that is necessary is to throw all draperies over a line in the yard, open the windows, remove the wrappings from the furniture and let the breeze have a full sweep through the rooms for a day or Then the furniture may be removed to the parlor and used with per feet safety, and there is much less hard work about this way of managing than one would imagine.

Care of a Sickroom.

A sickroom that needs cleaning can be made fresh and sweet without sweeping and without dust by wiping everything in it with a cloth wrung out of warm water in which there are a few drops of ammonia. The rugs and draperies, though there should not be any in the room, the doctors tell us, may be put upon the line for a thorough airing and wiped in the same way. The feather duster, which should be banished because it does no real good anywhere except to stir up and redistribute the dust, is especially out of place in the sick-room, where there may be and doubtless often are germs of disease in the innocent looking dust. If a patient is in a nervous state, a screen may be placed in front of the bed while the freshening goes on. If the room can only be heated by a stove, the noise of putting in coal can be deadened by wrapping the coal in a paper before putting on the fire.

Walking Costmues.

One's street dress may be stricily a tailor gown, or it may be a more dressy affair, such as is turned out by the women dressmakers. Both are fashionable, and it is a mere matter of taste which is selected.

A stylish dressmaker's gown in black crepon has the škirt slightly draped over petticent of black moire antique. Cre-



pon sleeves, with moire enffs; bodice entirely of moire, with full basques and draped with bow and paste buckle over a vest of ectu guipure; little guipure cravat, with buckle. Equally stylish is a tailor suit in diagonal, with a long a tailor suit in diagonal, with a long, full skirted coat, with revers and donble breasted revered vest; plain skirt; gigot sleeves. The waistcoat has two rows of buttons.

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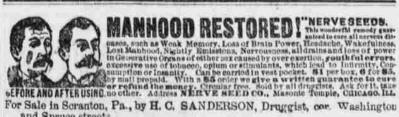
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